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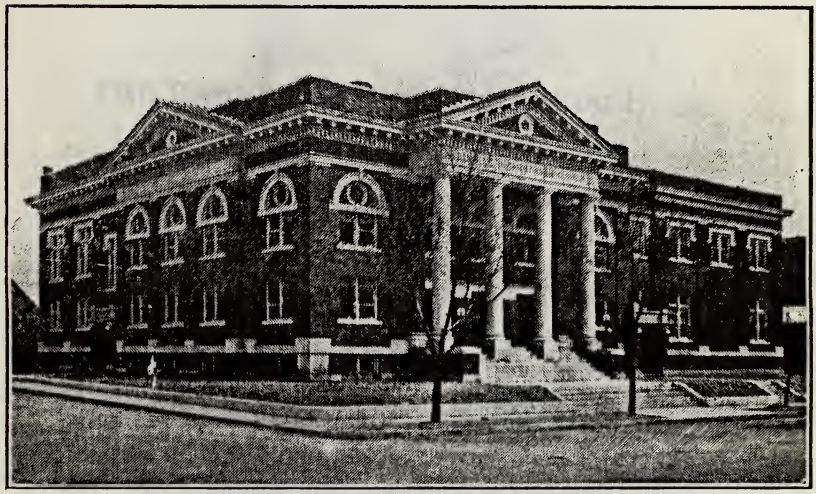

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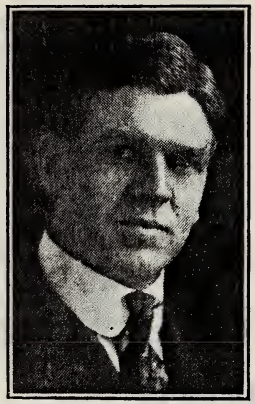

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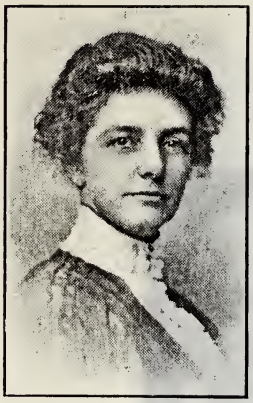

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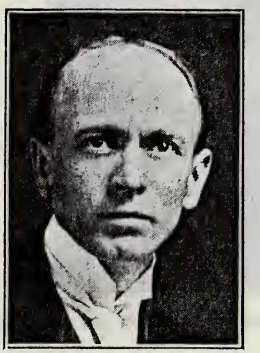

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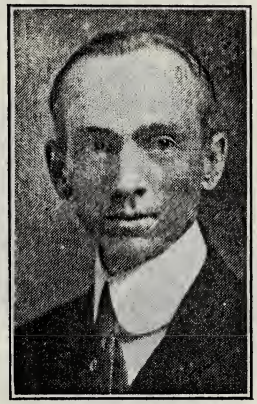


CHARLES MANFORD SHARPE

Program

Monday Morning

Meeting of the Indianapolis Ministerial Association

10:30—Paper, "Shepherds of Other Folds," George H. Clarke, Indianapolis.

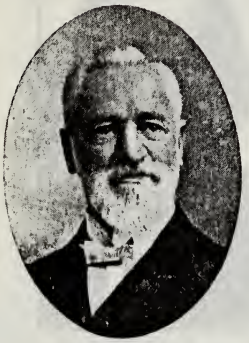
Monday Afternoon

Indiana Ministerial Association

2:30—Paper, "The Church and the Changing Order," E. E. Moorman, Indianapolis.

3:00—Discussion.

3:30—Address, "The Efficient Minister," Charles Manford Sharpe, University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.



DR. JABEZ HALL

Monday Afternoon—Continued

6:30—Banquet. Price per plate 50 cents.

Toasts:

"The Minister and Modern Thought," W. H. Book, Columbus.

"The Minister's Poise," E. F. Daugherty, Vincennes.

"The Minister and the Old Jerusalem Gospel," A. B. Philputt, Indianapolis.

"Readings," Hugh Shields, Plainfield.

Monday Evening

7:30—Song Service.

7:40—Welcome Address, Otis E. Gulley, Danville.

7:55—Address, Charles Manford Sharpe.

8:35—Convention Sermon, Dr. Jabez Hall, Indianapolis.

W. F. RICHARDSON

Tuesday Morning

9:00—Devotional, "The Righteousness of the Kingdom," H. H. Peters, Paris, Ill.

9:30—Business: Appointment of Committees; Reports of Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer and Auditor.

10:00—"The Northern District," A. L. Martin, Lafontaine.

10:25—"The Western District," T. J. Legg, Indianapolis.

10:50—"The Eastern District," G. I. Hoover, Indianapolis.

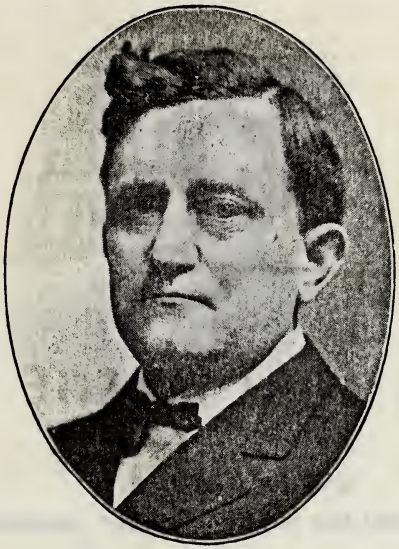
11:15—"The Southwestern District. (Evangelist to be secured).

11:40—"The Southeastern District," Fred R. Davies, Charlestown.

Tuesday Afternoon

1:30—Devotional.

1:45—Some mérited recognition.



H. H. PETERS

Tuesday Afternoon—Continued

2:00—"The Indiana Christian Missionary Association in the Calumet District," C. J. Sharp, Hammond.

2:10—"The Call of the Rural Church," O. E. Kelley, Terre Haute.

2:45—The President's Address, F. E. Smith, Muncie.

3:30—Class Room Periods.

1. "The Junior Church," Mrs. R. A. Bennett, Washington.
2. "Church Music," W. E. M. Hackleman, Indianapolis.
3. "The College in the Church," F. E. Davison, Spencer.
4. "Business Methods in Church Finance," John Allen, Muncie.
5. "The Continuing Church and the Changing Ministry," Carl Burkhardt, Franklin.
6. "The Rural Church," John W. Street, Nashville.

Tuesday Evening

7:30—Song Service.

7:45—Address, "The Leadership of the Ministry," W. R. Warren, Indianapolis.

8:10—Address, "The Glory of the Church," W. F. Richardson, Kansas City, Mo.

CYNTHIA PEARL MAUS

Wednesday Morning

9:00—Devotional, "Authority: Outer and Inner," H. H. Peters.

9:35—Sectional Conferences.

Elementary Division: Leader, Miss Emma Lemen, Indianapolis, State Elementary Superintendent.

Secondary Division: Leader, Miss Cynthia Pearl Maus, Cincinnati, Ohio, National Superintendent.

Adult Division: Leader, A. L. Orcutt, Indianapolis.

10:40—Address, "The Challenge of the Teens," Miss Cynthia Pearl Maus.

11:15—Address, "The Disciples of Christ and Educational Work in Indiana," G. I. Hoover.

Wednesday Afternoon

1:30—Devotional.

1:45—Address, "Feed My Lambs," Miss Emma Lemen."

2:20—"A Forward Step in Young People's Work," Miss Cynthia Pearl Maus.

FREDERICK D. KERSHNER

2:55—Address, "Three 'Ps' in a Pod," R. A. Walker, Indianapolis, Field Secretary Indiana Christian Endeavor Union.

3:30—Sectional Conferences.

Elementary Division: Leader, Miss Lemen.

Secondary Division: Leader, Miss Maus.

Adult Division: Leader, A. L. Orcutt.

Christian Endeavor: Leader, R. A. Walker.

Wednesday Evening

7:30—Song Service.

7:45—Address, "The American Temperance Board," L. E. Sellers, Indianapolis, Secretary.

8:10—Address, "Life's Work," Frederick D. Kershner, St. Louis, Mo., Editor Christian Evangelist.

R. A. WALKER

Thursday Morning

9:15—Devotional, "The Might of Meekness," H. H. Peters.

10:00—Reports of District Secretaries.

Reports of State Officers.

Recommendations of State Board.

Election of Officers.

10:45—Circle Period. Symposium: "The Young Ladies' Circle."

1. "Its Achievements," given by brief messages from different Circles of the state.
2. "Its Aid to Young Women of Our Church," given by short talks by young women.
3. "Its Aims," presented through views of young women.

11:30—"The Congress on Christian Work in Latin America," Mrs. Ida Harrison, Lexington, Ky.

Program---Thursday

Thursday Afternoon

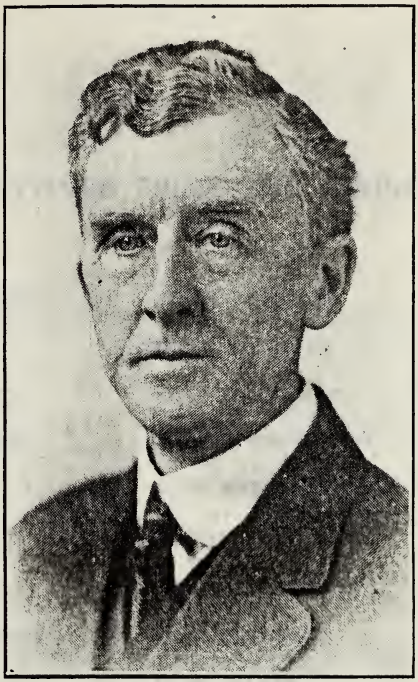
1:30—Devotional.

2:00—Symposium: "The Young People's Department."

1. "Workable Plans," Mrs. Frank Bixler, Mitchell.
2. "Local Aims," Miss Muriel Carson, Frankfort.
3. "Financial Side," Mrs. Zella Hottell, Corydon.
4. "Value of Triangle Club," Triangle Girl, Martinsville.
5. "The Junior Congregation," Miss Marcia Barton, Anderson.
6. "Best Things," Miss Tellar Brown, Scottsburg.

2:45—College of Missions Hour.

3:45—Address, Mrs. Cora Wilson Stewart, Morehead, Ky.



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Some Facts Concerning the Churches of Christ in Indiana

By T. J. LEGG

EXPLANATORY

The following is not intended as a history, but merely as a brief chronological outline of the main events connected with the development of the Churches of Christ in Indiana. Neither is infallibility claimed for the dates themselves. What is sought here is to get the best record possible of the main events so that they can either be verified or disproven, and around which some historian can weave a fuller story.

Much that is found in the biographical sketches and autobiographies has been written from memory. And notwithstanding the fact that the writers were contemporaneous, their statements do not always agree in detail. But judging from the sources which the writer was able to examine, the following seems to be a fairly accurate outline:

1. Organization of the Blue River Baptist Church, Washington County, May 12, 1809, by John and Jacob Wright.

2. Reorganized as a Church of Christ by the same men May 10, 1819. These men afterward became pioneer preachers for the Church of Christ.

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3. Adoption of a resolution whereby 3,000 members of denominational bodies, including "Dunkards," "Quakers," "Newlights," "Baptists," "Methodists" and "Presbyterians," passed at a conference held at the Blue River Church, May 21, 1821.

4. Baptism of Beverly Vawter and wife at the hands of the Baptists in Kentucky "for—because of" remission of sins, probably about 1815 (indefinite).

5. Removal of Beverly Vawter and wife to the vicinity of Liberty Church, Jefferson County, Indiana, probably about 1816.

6. Rebaptism of Beverly Vawter and wife at the Liberty Church "for—in order to" remission of sins, probably early in the year of 1817.

7. Preaching of Beverly Vawter in southeastern Indiana and northern Kentucky for many years.

8. Meeting held by Beverly Vawter in September, 1827, wherein he baptized a young man by the name of Jameson, merely upon his confession of faith in Christ.

9. Conference called the same fall and Mr. Vawter defended his action to the satisfaction of the members of the conference. As a result of this conference the church took the name of Church of Christ and its individual members the name of Christians. They agreed to accept anyone simply upon confession of faith in Jesus Christ and baptism in his name; to meet around the Lord's table every Lord's Day, and to be governed by the New Testament scriptures. On report of members of the conference to their churches, the other churches did the same thing.

10. Organization of the Little Flat Rock Baptist Church, Rush County, disputed, but probably about 1817.

11. Reorganization as a Church of Christ, disputed, but Prof. Benton, Prof. Thrasher, Henry R. Pritchard, Joseph Franklin and my father placed it April, 1828.

12. Reorganization of the church at Orange, Fayette County, about the same time. The precedence is disputed and in doubt.

13. The spread of the movement north and west to the Wabash river. People moving northward, followed by preachers, who in sporadic efforts organized many congregations in the new settlements.

14. Calling of the first state meeting in Jefferson County, June, 1839. This was not really a state meeting, but the first co-operative meeting in the state and was composed of churches in the southern part of Indiana. Joseph Franklin, for many years associate editor of the American Christian Review, held that the missionary society of the Churches of Christ was organized at Liberty and Madison in June, 1839. Henry R. Pritchard held that it was in 1837, but Prof. Hoshour says it was not until 1843. Mr. Pritchard's memory supplemented by that of Joseph Franklin that (1) the meeting was held in 1837, and (2) that it was held in Madison and Liberty is easily harmonized when we remember that the people had to reach the Liberty Church mostly via the Ohio river steamboats to Madison. Also that in the beginning of our co-operative effort there was a difference between "missionary" and "state" meetings, and that the early "missionary" meetings finally culminated in the "state" meetings.

15. Preliminary meeting for incorporating the Missionary Society of the Churches of Christ held by leading brethren in Henry County in June, 1849, and articles of association drafted. These articles of association were ratified by the state meeting held in Indianapolis during the same month and articles of incorporation were filed October 6, 1849. References: Henry R. Pritchard, Joseph Franklin, W. S. Campbell, Dr. Boor, and the records in the office of secretary of state.

16. Organization of Northwestern Christian University, now Butler College, 1850.

17. Organization of the Christian Woman's Board of Missions at Cincinnati, with headquarters at Indianapolis, 1874.

18. Organization of the Indiana Christian Sunday School Association at New Castle, J. L. Parsons leading organizer, 1876. Incorporated November 1, 1882. Later L. L. Carpenter of Ohio came to Indiana and served as State Sunday School Evangelist, at intervals, for seventeen years and three months. He was followed by C. M. Fillmore for nine months, and then by T. J. Legg. Mr. Legg served the Sunday School Board exclusively for seven years, then jointly under the State Missionary and Sunday School Boards for thirteen years. In 1892 L. L. Carpenter became State Missionary Evangelist. He served in this capacity for three years when he was succeeded by E. B. Scofield, who served four years.

19. Reorganization and reincorporation of the Missionary Society of the Churches of Christ, 1881.

20. First permanent endowment of the State Missionary work from the estate of Brother Street of Rush County, 1881.

21. Organization of Bethany Assembly at Rome City meeting, 1882. Incorporated October 6, 1883. At that time the controlling interest of stock was held by the Indiana Christian Sunday School Association. Since the unification of the state work this stock is held by the Indiana Christian Missionary Association. This is not now a majority of the stock of Bethany Assembly.

22. Organization of the Board of Ministerial Relief, 1895. Incorporated 1897.

23. E. B. Scofield appointed State Missionary Evangelist and Corresponding Secretary, on the resignation of L. L. Carpenter, 1895.

24. T. J. Legg appointed State Missionary Evangelist and Corresponding Secretary in joint service with the State Sunday School Board, on the resignation of E. B. Scofield, 1899.

25. In 1900 the office of Corresponding Secretary was abolished and W. E. M. Hackleman was appointed as Secretary. T. J. Legg was appointed as Field Secretary and State Evangelist under both Boards.

26. In 1904 the office of Corresponding Secretary was restored and J. O. Rose was called to serve in this capacity. His period of service terminated in 1909.

27. Garry L. Cook appointed as Superintendent of Sunday School work, 1909. Addition of Christian Endeavor work to his superintendency, 1915.

28. Upon the resignation of J. O. Rose, E. M. Barney was appointed as Corresponding Secretary in 1910.

29. Reorganization and unification of the whole state work at the convention at Anderson, 1910.

30. Upon the resignation of E. M. Barney in 1910, L. E. Murray was appointed Corresponding Secretary.

31. In 1913 M. T. Reeves offered to give dollar for dollar up to $5,000 raised by the brotherhood in the state for State Missionary work. C. W. Cauble was called as special agent to raise this fund, in which he succeeded. Offer repeated and accepted in 1914.

32. Upon the resignation of L. E. Murray in 1913, C. W. Cauble was appointed as Corresponding Secretary.

33. Division of the state into five districts. T. J. Legg was called as evangelist for the Western, A. L. Martin for the Northern, G. I. Hoover for the Eastern, Fred R. Davies for the Southeastern and Melnotte Miller for the Southwestern.

34. The adoption of the county as a unit of co-operation in state work and the organization of the counties for co-operative work in 1913.

35. The above is intended only as an epitome of main events in the development of the Church of Christ in Indiana. Much is omitted, especially of the educational features of our work, such as the predecessor of Northwestern Christian University at Bedford, the Fairview Academy, the Tri-State College at Anderson, Valparaiso University, Howard College at Kokomo and the Central Indiana Normal School at Danville. All of these have contributed largely, either directly or indirectly, to the Church of Christ in Indiana. Also the division of the state into fourteen districts by L. L. Carpenter, T. J. Legg and Mrs. Sallie K.

Jones in 1891-2, in which were held district conventions in the spring and fall for a number of years. These conventions afforded an opportunity for the people to hear representatives of all of the co-operative interests of the church. These gatherings proved to be highly educational and a stimulus to greater work.

36. The establishment of the Bloomington Bible Chair in 1912 with Prof. Jos. C. Todd as dean, and the assurance of a splendid building and equipment, for that work should not be omitted from the list of important matters now in hand.

37. Our religious work under the direction of Prof. E. H. Clarke at Purdue University, dating from 1914, is a work recognized by all as of great value.

38. The calling of Prof. Myron C. Settle to the work of religious instructor in the Gary public schools in 1914 is an important move forward.

39. The establishment of headquarters of the American Temperance Board at Indianapolis, with L. E. Sellers in charge, 1916.

40. Never to be forgotten are the names of John and Jacob Wright, Walter Scott, Barton W. Stone, Elder Martin, John O'Kane, both of the Mathis', Racoon John Smith, the Shiveleys, the Hartleys, John Brazelton, John T. Johnson, John P. Thompson, Ryland T. Brown, Benjamin, Daniel and Joseph Franklin, Luke P. Warren, W. B. F. Treat, Urban C. Brewer, and a host of other saintly men whose names cannot be mentioned here who were in the very vanguard in the development of the Church of Christ in Indiana.

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